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**FOURTH SEMESTER (CUCBCSS—UG) DEGREE EXAMINATION  
APRIL 2023**

English (B.A./B.Sc.)

**ENG 4A 06—SPECTRUM : LITERATURE AND CONTEMPORARY ISSUES**  
(2017—2018 Admissions)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 80 Marks

I. Answer *all* the following questions by choosing the correct answer :1 Who is the author of *A Portrait of the Artist as a Young Man* ?

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| a) Aristotle.   | b) Goethe.       |
| c) Shakespeare. | d) Janies Joyce. |

2 In which novel is Comala a town of the dead ?

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| a) <i>Wuthering Heights</i> .     | b) <i>Pedro Paramo</i> .  |
| c) <i>The Feast of the Goat</i> . | d) <i>None of these</i> . |

3 According to Mariam, the visitor was a \_\_\_\_\_ sent by God to work miracles for them.

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| a) Messenger. | b) Soothsayer. |
| c) Oracle.    | d) Angel.      |

4 What is Warsan Shire's ethnic identity ?

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| a) Somali.      | b) Egyptian. |
| c) Palestinian. | d) British.  |

5 What was Kaley Shah's profession ?

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| a) Money lender. | b) Cloth seller.        |
| c) Trader.       | d) Illegal Businessman. |

6 Identify the figure of speech : "Beneath all uniforms, a single body breathes."

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| a) Metaphor. | b) Simile.     |
| c) Metonymy. | d) Synecdoche. |

**Turn over**

- (10 × 1 = 10 marks)

- 11 Why does Goethe's Werther send his servant to Lotte's house ?
- 12 How did Kundoor Viswanathan attract media attention ?
- 13 Why, according to the couple, were they late to reach Bapa?
- 14 What is meant by the phrase "the cool moon of moist faces" ?
- 15 Why is the speaker's brother trying to sleep off a miserable night shift at Cadillac ?
- 16 What was the reason for Bet's early marriage ?
- 17 How did Najab respond to his father's question whether he had brought anything ?
- 18 What can be seen beneath all uniforms ?
- 19 What does the man in the house order the Jews to do ?
- 20 What made the narrator think that the black boy could be the son of a servant of the white boy's home ?

- 21 Who taught Malala the philosophy of non-violence ?
- 22 In what condition does the poet see the dogs and the horses in the street ?

(10 × 2 = 20 marks)

III. Answer any *four* of the following questions in a *paragraph* of 100 words each :

- 23 Discuss the aspects of globalization referred to in the poem “Turmeric”.
- 24 What all arguments does Mariam make to convince Bapa of accepting the new proposal ?
- 25 Bring out the horror that creates displacement as depicted by Warsan Shire.
- 26 Why does Malala consider, ‘the Pen is mightier than the Sword’ ?
- 27 Suffering as a theme in “Death Fugue”.
- 28 How did the author’s parents respond to the tremendous shock that their child was “profoundly deaf” ?

(4 × 5 = 20 marks)

IV. Write essays in 300 words each on any *two* of the following questions :

- 29 Describe briefly Viswanathan’s journey which led him to the realization that every human being is a debtor.
- 30 Bet Blevins is a character who takes “comfort from enduring”. Discuss.
- 31 Examine “Home” as a powerful critique of the refugee crisis.
- 32 The adult minds are more racially prejudiced than those of the little ones. Elucidate the statement with reference to “Jamaican Fragment”.

(2 × 15 = 30 marks)

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(Multiple Choice Questions for SDE Candidates)

**Time : 15 Minutes****Total No. of Questions : 20****Maximum : 20 Marks****INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CANDIDATE**

1. This Question Paper carries Multiple Choice Questions from 1 to 20.
2. The candidate should check that the question paper supplied to him/her contains all the 20 questions in serial order.
3. Each question is provided with choices (A), (B), (C) and (D) having one correct answer. Choose the correct answer and enter it in the main answer-book.
4. The MCQ question paper will be supplied after the completion of the descriptive examination.

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(Multiple Choice Questions for SDE Candidates)

1. Who is the author of *A Portrait of the Artist as a Young Man* ?  
(A) James Joyce. (B) Cervantes.  
(C) Shakespeare. (D) Anton Chekov.
2. What was Radha's profession ?  
(A) Tailor. (B) Carpenter.  
(C) House maid. (D) None of these.
3. Which day did Viswnathan select to commit suicide ?  
(A) Independent Day. (B) Republic Day.  
(C) Gandhi Jayanti. (D) None of these.
4. In what accent did the visitor speak to Alassankutty ?  
(A) Hinglish. (B) Manglish.  
(C) Zinglish. (D) None of these.
5. Where was the speaker's brother employed ?  
(A) Vox Wagon. (B) Cadillac.  
(C) Ford. (D) Benz.
6. No one puts their children in a boat unless the water is \_\_\_\_\_.  
(A) Safer than the home. (B) Safer than the land.  
(C) Risker than the jail. (D) All of these.
7. What could have brightened the darkness of the underworld ?  
(A) Kaley Shah's eyes. (B) Najab's eyes.  
(C) Fatima's eyes. (D) Panchmai Pir's halo.

8. By what can one win the strength of the other ?  
(A) Arms. (B) Love.  
(C) Compassion. (D) None of these.
9. In which collection was the poem "No Men Are Foreign" included ?  
(A) No Men Are Foreign. (B) The Caged Bird in springtime.  
(C) The Prodigal Son. (D) The Sand Artist.
10. Who is the woman with ashen hair ?  
(A) Shulamith. (B) Margarete.  
(C) Both. (D) None of these.
11. Malala Yusefsai delivered a speech at U.N Assembly on \_\_\_\_\_.  
(A) 12 June 2013. (B) 12 July 2013.  
(C) 13 January 2014. (D) 13 July 2014.
12. On \_\_\_\_\_ Malala was shot by the Taliban.  
(A) 9 October 2012. (B) 12 September 2013.  
(C) 12 July 2013. (D) 13 November 2012.
13. "*Average Waves in Unprotected Waters*" was originally published in \_\_\_\_\_ on February 28, 1977.  
(A) The New Yorker. (B) Disability Studies Reader.  
(C) The Weekly. (D) The London Times.
14. Arnold looked at the suitcase \_\_\_\_\_.  
(A) Happily. (B) Enthusiastically.  
(C) Suspiciously (D) Unwillingly.
15. "She may be deaf but she's so cute !"  
"She'll just be that much smarter"- whose words are these ?  
(A) Uncle's. (B) Father's.  
(C) Grandparent's. (D) Mother's.

Turn over

16. \_\_\_\_\_ thought that Emmanuelle Laborit as a child was crazy.
- (A) The Speech Therapist. (B) Emmanuelle's father.
- (C) The counselor. (D) The Pediatrician.
17. In the poem "Death Fugue" *Black milk of daybreak* symbolizes \_\_\_\_\_.
- (A) A life in the camp. (B) A life in the village.
- (C) Poets personal life. (D) A life in the prison.
18. "And your love grows. Your great love grows and grows" is the line taken from \_\_\_\_\_.
- (A) What Work Is. (B) Turmeric.
- (C) Caring for Animals. (D) Home.
19. "No Men Are Foreign" is a poem that protests against \_\_\_\_\_.
- (A) Claustrophobia. (B) Xenophobia.
- (C) Autocrats. (D) Government.
20. Who is the author of Pedro Paramo ?
- (A) Mariyo Vargas Liosa. (B) Juan Rulfo.
- (C) Gabriel Garcia Marquez. (D) Jorge Luis Borges.